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1. All claims are allowable. However, due to a potential interference, ex parte prosecution is AGAIN SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS from the date of this letter. Upon expiration of the period of suspension, applicant should make an inquiry as to the status of the application.

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